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The following references are hereby submitted:

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,555,176
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,270,335
3. U.S. Application No. 09/971,337
4. U.S. Application No. 09/971,247
5. U.S. Application No. 09/970,956
6. U.S. Application No. 10/625,745

The references included on this Information Disclosure Statement form the complete set of references known to the Applicants at this time which are believed to be relevant to the prosecution of the instant application.

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### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	5,555,176	9/10/96	Menhennett Et al			
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### OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date\*\*, Relevant Pages, Place of Publication\*\*\*)

Filed 05/01/03	US Patent Application No. 09/971,337; USA.282 "Selective Deposition Modeling With Curable Phase Change Materials" Inventors: Schmidt et al
Filed 05/15/03	US Patent Application No. 09/971,247; USA.269 "Ultra-Violet Light Curable Hot Melt Composition" Inventors: Schmidt et al
Filed 04/03/03	US Patent Application No. 09/970,956; USA.229 "Quantized Feed System For Solid Freeform Fabrication" Inventors: Varnon et al
Filed 07/23/03	US Patent Application No. 10/625,745; USA.349 "Accumulation, Control and Accounting of Fluid By-Product from a Solid Deposition Modeling Process" Inventors: Stockwell et al

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